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SUBJ: DIEGO GARCIA AND ASMARA

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1. WHEN WE INFORM IEG ABOUT DIEGO GARCIA EXPANSION (REFTELS A), WE ANTICIPATE IEG INQUIRY ABOUT RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THIS DEVELOPMENT AND PENDING US REQUEST FOR FACILITIES IN ASMARA (REFTELS B & C). UNLESS OTHERWISE INSTRUCTED, WE PLAN TO RESPOND THAT USG WAS ALREADY CONDUCTING CONVERSATIONS WITH HMG ABOUT DIEGO WHEN SUBJECT REQUEST TO IEG WAS PRESENTED TO FONMIN AND HIM.

2. PRELIMINARY CHECK WITH UK COLLEAGUES HERE REVEALS THAT FONMIN MINASSIE INDEPENDENTLY RAISED DIEGO ISSUE WITH HMB AMBASSADOR JAN. 24 ON BASIS PRESS REPORTS. AMBASSADOR MORRIS, THEN UNINSTRUCTED, MERELY PASSED MINASSIE'S EXPRESSION INTEREST TO WHITEHALL AT THAT TIME. HOWEVER, VIEW FOREGOING, BRITISH COLLEAGUES AND WE BELIEVE THAT THEY RPT THEY SHOULD LEAD OFF

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HERE BY WAY OF RESPONSE TO FONMIN'S INQUIRY AND WE SHOULD SUPPORT

AT LOWER LEVEL. WE INTEND SO TO PROCEED IN DUE COURSE. ADAIR

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